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1. Major Rafael Carranza Amaya, Chief of the Salvadoran General Staff, announced on 30 March 1979 that he and Major Oscar Osorio, member of the government junta, were in complete agreement on the question of liquidating the junta. Carranza Amaya said he had acceded to Osorio's argument that it would take two weeks to accomplish the dissolution and had retracted his original demand for action within twenty-four hours. He asserted that he might have difficulty making his colleagues accept this delay and said he had urged Osorio to take some positive step during the week which would indicate his intention of carrying out the dissolution of the junta.
2. Carranza Amaya had previously called upon Osorio on 26 March to dissolve the junta and to clear the way for a military man, to be selected by the Army, to become Chief of State. After considerable discussion at that time Osorio is reported to have agreed to seek the dissolution of the junta by means of a decree on the following day.
3. On 29 March 25X1X6 accepted Carranza Amaya's proposal in principle only. Osorio argued that it would take considerable time and could not be done in a day's time.

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